Advanced Practice Registered Nurse

Section 12517.2 Vehicle Code Amended
Schoolbus Driver: Medical Examination

Legislation enacted 2007-2008 Session

Effective January 1, 2008 Assembly Bill No. 139, Chapter 158 (Bass) An Act to Amend Section 12517.2 of the Vehicle Code, relating to vehicles: schoolbus drivers: medical examinations.

Existing law requires an applicant for an original or renewal certificate to drive a schoolbus, school activity bus, youth bus, general public paratransit vehicle, or farm labor vehicle to submit to the Department of Motor Vehicles a report of a medical physician's examination of the applicant given not more than 2 years prior to the application date. This bill would authorize the medical examination to be given by a licensed advanced practice registered nurse who is qualified to perform a medical examination, or a licensed physician assistant.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:
SECTION 1. Section 12517.2 of the Vehicle Code is amended to read:
12517.2 (a) Applicants for an original or renewal certificate to drive a schoolbus, school pupil activity bus, youth bus, general public paratransit vehicle, or farm labor vehicle shall submit a report of a medical examination of the applicant given not more than two years prior to the date of the application by a physician licensed to practice medicine, **a licensed advanced practice nurse qualified to perform a medical examination**, or a licensed physician assistant. The report shall be on a form approved by the department, the Federal Highway Administration, or the Federal Aviation Administration.

(b) Schoolbus divers, within the same month or reaching 65 years of age and each 12th month thereafter, shall undergo a medical examination, pursuant to Section 12804.9, and shall submit a report of the medical examination on a form specified in subsection (a).

NPR-B-61 BOARD APPROVED 02/2008